



Situation of Avian Influenza in the Federal Republic of Germany

(as of 23.06.2008)

1. Domestic poultry

In 2008 no cases of HPAI in poultry occurred.

In the year 2007, the following 6 cases of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) were detected in Germany:

No.	Detection date	Federal State	District / Municipality	Type of husbandry	Number of animals
1	06.07.2007	Thuringia	Saalfeld-Rudolstadt / Saalfelder Höhe	hobby farm	5 ducks, 5 geese
2	25.08.2007	Bavaria	Erlangen-Höchststadt / Wachenroth	poultry fattening farm	169,857 ducks
3	10.09.2007	Bavaria	Schwandorf / Bruck i.d. Oberpfalz	poultry fattening farm	170,856 ducks
4	15.12.2007	Brandenburg	Oberhavel / Großwoltersdorf	hobby farm	11 chickens
5	21.12.2007	Brandenburg	Potsdam-Mittelmark / Bensdorf	hobby farm	30 chickens
6	25.12.2007	Brandenburg	Ostprignitz-Ruppin / Heiligengrabe	hobby farm	15 chickens

National measures

Following the confirmation of HPAI H5N1, the affected stocks were liquidated. In each case, a protection zone (3 km radius) and a surveillance zone (10 km radius) were established, within both of which the transport of poultry and poultry products is prohibited or is only possible under certain conditions (zone A).

In addition, a bufferzone (zone B) with a diameter of 13 km was established in accordance with the provisions of Decision 2006/415/EC, taking account of the geographical and epidemiological conditions.

After further epidemiological inquiries produced negative results and cleaning and disinfection operations were concluded, the protection measures were lifted in October 2007 for the first three cases .

Provided tests for lifting of restrictions has been concluded for all restriction zones around the epizootic centres in January 2008.

2. Wild birds

In 2008 no cases of HPAI in wild birds occurred.

Between 24.06.2007 and 15.08.2007, HPAI H5N1 was confirmed in 326 wild birds (swans, geese, black-necked grebes, great crested grebes). These cases occurred in the following places:

- two adjacent lakes in the city of Nuremberg (Federal State of Bavaria) (16 cases),
- one lake in Frohburg, Leipziger Land district (Federal State of Saxony, near the border with the Federal State of Thuringia) and in nearby Windischleuba, Altenburger Land district (Federal State of Thuringia) (6 cases),
- a storage lake in Badra, Kyffhäuser district (Federal State of Thuringia) and Kelbra, Mansfeld-Südharz district (Federal State of Saxony-Anhalt) (287 cases),
- in Ebeleben, Kyffhäuser district (3 cases) and Auleben, Nordhausen district (9 cases) (Federal State of Thuringia),
- in Torgau, Torgau-Oschatz district (Federal State of Saxony, near the Federal State of Brandenburg) (1 case),
- in Machern, Muldentalkreis district (Federal State of Saxony) (1 case),
- a storage lake near Munich (Federal State of Bavaria) (3 cases).

Since 16.08.2007, HPAI has not been detected in wild birds in Germany.

Germany is since the 26 March 2008 free from HPAI in poultry according to the rules of OIE.

For the Federal Ministry
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HPAI in domestic poultry and wild birds in the Federal Republic of Germany in 2007

